AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of Claims shall replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-12. (Cancelled)

13.   (New) A method of controlling a multi-component display, said method comprising:

accessing graphical data for displaying an image on a first display screen of said multi-component display, said multi-component display further comprising a second display screen, wherein said first and second display screens overlap, and wherein said first and second display screens are each operable to display graphical objects;

determining an image characteristic associated with a presentation of said image; and

determining a transmissivity of a region of said second display screen for implementing said image characteristic associated with said presentation of said image, wherein said region comprises a portion of said second display screen and corresponds to said image displayed on said first display screen.

14.   (New) The method of Claim 13, wherein said image characteristic is selected from a group consisting of a brightness, a contrast, a color, a hue, a color temperature, and a gamma response.

15.   (New) The method of Claim 13 further comprising:

displaying said image on said first display screen; and

adjusting said second display screen in accordance with said transmissivity to present said image with said image characteristic.

16. (New) The method of Claim 13 further comprising:
determining a second image characteristic associated with a second image; and
determining a second transmissivity of a second region of said second display screen for implementing said second image characteristic associated with said presentation of said second image, wherein said image characteristic and said second image characteristic are different, and wherein said image characteristic and said second image characteristic are operable to be simultaneously implemented.

17. (New) The method of Claim 13 further comprising:
dynamically determining a brightness value for a backlight of said multi-component display based upon said transmissivity of said region; and
adjusting a brightness of said backlight based upon said brightness value, wherein said adjusting is operable to compensate for filtering of light by said second display screen.

18. (New) The method of Claim 13, wherein said transmissivity is operable to adjust contrast of said image within said region while substantially maintaining net brightness of graphical objects presented by said multi-component display.

19. (New) The method of Claim 13, wherein said first and second display screens comprise liquid crystal displays.

20. (New) A multi-component display comprising:

a first display screen for displaying an image; and

a second display screen for adjusting a transmissivity of a region of said second display screen to implement an image characteristic associated with a presentation of said image, wherein said first and second display screens overlap, wherein said region comprises a portion of said second display screen and corresponds to said image displayed on said first display screen.

21. (New) The multi-component display of Claim 20, wherein said image characteristic is selected from a group consisting of a brightness, a contrast, a color, a hue, a color temperature, and a gamma response.

22. (New) The multi-component display of Claim 20, wherein said second display screen is further operable to adjust a transmissivity of a second region of said second display screen to implement a second image characteristic associated with a presentation of a second image, wherein said second region comprises a portion of said second display screen and corresponds to said second image displayed on said first display screen, wherein said image characteristic and said second image characteristic are different, and wherein said image characteristic and said second image characteristic are operable to be simultaneously implemented.

23. (New) The multi-component display of Claim 20 further comprising:

a backlight operable to illuminate said first and second display screens in accordance with a brightness value, wherein said brightness value is dynamically determined based upon said transmissivity of said region, and wherein a

brightness of said backlight determined by said brightness value is operable to compensate for filtering of light by said second display screen.

24. (New) The multi-component display of Claim 20, wherein said second display screen is operable to adjust contrast of said image within said region while substantially maintaining net brightness of graphical objects presented by said first and second display screens.

25. (New) The multi-component display of Claim 20, wherein said first and second display screens comprise liquid crystal displays.

26. (New) A method of controlling a multi-component display, said method comprising:

accessing graphical data for displaying an image on a display screen of said multi-component display, said multi-component display further comprising a non-display layer, wherein said display screen and said non-display layer overlap;

determining an image characteristic associated with a presentation of said image; and

determining a transmissivity of a region of said non-display layer for implementing said image characteristic associated with said presentation of said image, wherein said region comprises a portion of said non-display layer and corresponds to said image displayed on said display screen.

27. (New) The method of Claim 26, wherein said image characteristic is selected from a group consisting of a brightness, a contrast, a color, a hue, a color temperature, and a gamma response.

28. (New) The method of Claim 26 further comprising:

displaying said image on said display screen; and

adjusting said non-display layer in accordance with said transmissivity to present said image with said image characteristic.

29. (New) The method of Claim 26 further comprising:

determining a second image characteristic associated with a second image; and

determining a second transmissivity of a second region of said non-display layer for implementing said second image characteristic associated with said presentation of said second image, wherein said image characteristic and said second image characteristic are different, and wherein said image characteristic and said second image characteristic are operable to be simultaneously implemented.

30. (New) The method of Claim 26 further comprising:

dynamically determining a brightness value for a backlight of said multi-component display based upon said transmissivity of said region; and

adjusting a brightness of said backlight based upon said brightness value, wherein said adjusting is operable to compensate for filtering of light by said non-display layer.

31. (New) The method of Claim 26, wherein said transmissivity is operable to adjust contrast of said image within said region while substantially maintaining net brightness of graphical objects presented by said multi-component display.

32.   (New) The method of Claim 26, wherein said display screen and said non-display layer comprise liquid crystal displays.

33.   (New) A multi-component display comprising:
a display screen for displaying an image; and
a non-display layer for adjusting a transmissivity of a region of said non-display layer to implement an image characteristic associated with a presentation of said image, wherein said display screen and said non-display layer overlap, wherein said region comprises a portion of said non-display layer and corresponds to said image displayed on said display screen.

34.   (New) The multi-component display of Claim 33, wherein said image characteristic is selected from a group consisting of a brightness, a contrast, a color, a hue, a color temperature, and a gamma response.

35.   (New) The multi-component display of Claim 33, wherein said non-display layer is further operable to adjust a transmissivity of a second region of said non-display layer to implement a second image characteristic associated with a presentation of a second image, wherein said second region comprises a portion of said non-display layer and corresponds to said second image displayed on said display screen, wherein said image characteristic and said second image characteristic are different, and wherein said image characteristic and said second image characteristic are operable to be simultaneously implemented.

36.   (New) The multi-component display of Claim 33 further comprising:
a backlight operable to illuminate said display screen and said non-display layer in accordance with a brightness value, wherein said brightness value is

dynamically determined based upon said transmissivity of said region, and wherein a brightness of said backlight determined by said brightness value is operable to compensate for filtering of light by said non-display layer.

37.   (New) The multi-component display of Claim 33, wherein said non-display layer is operable to adjust contrast of said image within said region while substantially maintaining net brightness of graphical objects displayed by said display screen.

38.   (New) The multi-component display of Claim 33, wherein said first display screen and said non-display layer comprise liquid crystal displays.